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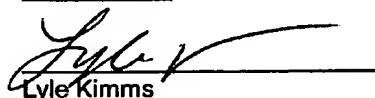
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 13 January 2005, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely, but requires a claim fee.

The present Amendment introduces 3 additional independent claims (in excess of 3 allotted) that require a fee of \$600. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$600 (or any additional fees required to maintain the pendency of this application) to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.